

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
RESOLUTION NO. 2003 - 0051

APPROVAL OF A STATE REVOLVING FUND (SRF) LOAN
FOR CITY OF PISMO BEACH (CITY)
WASTEWATER FACILITIES EXPANSION PROJECT
SRF LOAN PROJECT NO. C-06-4793-110

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), on February 16, 1995, adopted the *“Policy for Implementing the State Revolving Fund for Construction of Wastewater Treatment Facilities,”* and revised it on January 22, 2003;
2. The SWRCB, on June 20, 2002, adopted the state fiscal year 2002/2003 SRF Loan Program Priority List which included the Wastewater Facilities Expansion Project for the City in Priority Class C;
3. The Division of Financial Assistance (Division) has approved the Facility Plan for the City’s Project;
4. The City certified an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (State Clearinghouse No. 2001091125) for the proposed project which has been reviewed and considered, and it has been determined that:
 - a) Changes or alterations have been required in or incorporated in to the proposed project which avoid or reduce to less than significant levels potentially significant environmental effects identified in the EIR with respect to: (i) impacts to cultural resources which will be mitigated by coordinating with a qualified archeologist to survey, monitor, and prepare a mitigation monitoring program for the site if excavation uncovers any cultural resources, and requiring a Native American monitor if deemed necessary by the project archeologist; (ii) impacts to biological resources which will be mitigated by conducting pre-construction surveys for southwestern pond turtles and red-legged frogs (to be removed if present), removing existing cliff swallow nests to avoid impacts to nesting birds protected under Section 3503 of the Fish and Game Code, returning silt free water to Pismo Creek in a manner that does not cause bank destabilization, and requiring the presence of a biological monitor during all de-watering activities; (iii) impacts to air quality which will be mitigated by implementing standard dust suppression measures, and utilizing Best Available Control Technology for all diesel-fueled construction equipment; and (iv) impacts resulting from noise which will be mitigated by limiting all construction activities to the hours of 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. to be verified by the City of Pismo Beach Planning Department.
 - b) With respect to other potentially significant environmental impacts identified in the environmental document, appropriate changes or alterations are not within the responsibility and jurisdiction of the SWRCB. Such other changes or alterations have been adopted or should be adopted by other agencies.

- c) Project alternatives have been considered and it has been concluded that the proposed project is the environmentally superior alternative.
- d) Copies of the draft and final EIRs are available for review at CAL/EPA 1001 I Street, 16th Floor, Sacramento, California, 95814 during normal business hours.
- 5. Revised Waste Discharge Requirements must be adopted by the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (CCRWQCB) prior to the issuance of Final Plans & Specifications Approval; and
- 6. The CCRWQCB has requested the City to begin Project construction prior to adoption of a revised NPDES permit.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Resources Control Board:

- 1. Approves a State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan of \$12.4 million for the City's Wastewater Facilities Expansion Project, with a repayment period of 20 years, and the first repayment due one year after completion of construction;
- 2. Will withdraw this preliminary SRF loan commitment if the City does not initiate construction of the project by February 30, 2004. The Division of Financial Assistance (Division) may approve up to a 90 day extension for good cause;
- 3. Will waive the SRF policy Section IX.A.10.m requirement of NPDES permit adoption prior to Final Plans and Specifications Approval;
- 4. Will base the Performance Standards for this Project on the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board's proposed revision of the City's adopted Waste Discharge Requirements; and
- 5. Directs the Division to allocate \$12.4 million consistent with the construction schedule and availability of funds.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on July 16, 2003.


Debbie Irvin
Clerk to the Board